INSTRUCTIONS FOR K-1/K-2 VISAS

This office is pleased to inform you that we have recently received the petition I-129F filed on your behalf by your U.S. citizen fiancé(e). To assist in providing the most efficient customer service and to expedite your K-1/K-2 visa processing, the Consular Section of the U.S. Embassy in Ankara uses a pre-appointment document screening system.

To process a K-1/K-2 visa file and complete the visa interview on the same day, beneficiaries need to send necessary forms and other civil and financial documents listed below to the U.S. Embassy Ankara, Turkey before their interview dates. Our address is:

U.S. Embassy Ankara, Turkey Immigrant Visa Unit 110 Ataturk Blvd., Kavaklidere, Ankara 06100 Turkey

Once we receive the approved I-129F petition, we will contact the beneficiary/petitioner by email to provide "Instructions for K1/K2 Visas". When the beneficiary has collected all the documents specified in the Instruction Package, he/she should contact our service provider CSC to make an appointment and pay the fiancé visa fee. The appointment can be scheduled either online via www.usvisa-info.com or by calling 0850 252 6355 from Turkey or (703) 439-2348 from the United States. Through CSC, all applicants should also arrange for the pickup of their passports by selecting a passport pickup location before their interviews.

In order to schedule your interview online or through the call center you should follow the steps below:

- 1. Upon receipt of Embassy's notification, register online at www.usvisa-info.com or by calling 0850 252 6355 from Turkey or (703) 439-2348 from the United States
- 2. Pay the K-1/K2 visa fee payment through www.usvisa-info.com or by phone at 0850 252 6355 from Turkey or (703) 439-2348 from the United States
- 3. Schedule a K-1/K2 visa interview appointment through www.usvisa-info.com or by phone at 0850 252 6355 from Turkey or (703) 439-2348 from the United States
- 4. Choose your visa pick-up location
- 5. Send the required forms and documents to the Embassy at least 15 days prior to your interview date.

After the proper registry, the package that the applicants need to send should contain:

- Copy of the CSC appointment confirmation and passport pickup registry receipt,
- Application forms listed below, and
- Other civil and financial documents listed below.

Once you register, you will have the opportunity to send your documents through a branch of Turkish Postal Service (PTT), which you have already selected while registering, without paying a fee. Please also note that if and when your fiance visa is approved, your visa packet will be sent to the branch of PTT you have chosen for you to pickup in person.

As PTT services are not available in Iran, applicants in Iran may send their documents to our office by any reliable courier service.

IMPORTANT: If you fail to send your complete documentation, we will not be able to interview you on your scheduled date and you will be required to schedule a new appointment through CSC.

IF YOU FAIL TO ATTEND YOUR INTERVIEW you need to get a new appointment through the CSC website at http://www.usvisa-info.com or by calling 0850 252 6355 from Turkey or (703) 439-2348 from the United States.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- 1. PHOTOCOPY OF PASSPORT: Each applicant must provide a photocopy of their passport. The photocopy of the first pages of the passport, including the date of the issuance and the expiration date of the passport, must be provided. The beneficiary's passport must be valid for travel to the United States and must have at least eight months validity beyond the issuance date of the visa. Children may be included in a parent's passport, but, if over the age of 16, they must have their photograph attached to the passport. Please do not send your original passport. You must present your passport at the interview date.
- 2. FORMS: Please complete the following forms to submit to this office before your interview
 - <u>DS-156K</u> (Nonimmigrant Fiance(e) Visa Application)
 - <u>DS-160</u> (Nonimmigrant Visa Electronic Application) This form does not need to be printed after online submission; the electronic version will be accessible to the Consular Officer at the time of intervew. However, please print out the confirmation page (with the barcode) of your submitted DS-160 form and send it along with the other required documents.
 - Fully completed Form <u>I-134</u> (Affidavit of Support) from the petitioner, together with evidence which may be presented to meet the public charge provisions of the law.
- 3. CSC FEE PAYMENT AND PASSPORT PICKUP REGISTRY RECEIPT: Please send your CSC receipt confirming your appointment and fee payment.
- 4. BIRTH CERTIFICATES: The birth certificate document required from Turkish applicants is called "Nufus Kayit Ornegi". It is obtained from any vital statistics office in Turkey. Please send our office the original of this document with the wet seal of the vital statistics office. It must be originally signed. Applicants born in a country other than their country of citizenship must present a birth-certificate from the country in which they were born. Iranian applicant are required to submit a copy of their "Shenasname" and Iraqi applicants are required to submit a copy of their "Hawiat Al Ahwal Al Madniya" with their original English translations. Iranian applicants are required to submit their National ID cards, "Cart e Meli," in addition to their birth certificates. Iraqi applicants are also required to submit their National ID cards, "Shahadat Al Jinsiya Al Iraqiya". Please do not send the originals of the Iranian and Iraqi birth certificates and ID cards to our office. Copies with original translations will be sufficient before the interview. Original documents will be required at the time of final interview.
- 5. DIVORCE DECREE OR DEATH CERTIFICATE: If you were married previously, provide a copy of the divorce decree or death certificate to prove the dissolution of each prior marriage. You will be requested to submit the original of this document at the time of your interview. If the divorce took place in a country other than Turkey or the U.S., a certified English translation of the foreign divorce decree is also required. For divorces that took place in the U.S. or Turkey, the court-certified original divorce decrees must either have the raised seal or rubber stamps of the court and original signatures. Attorney certified copies without raised seals, rubber stamps or plain photocopies of court certified divorce decrees will not be accepted. Marriage or birth certificates on which the divorce is registered and translations of divorce documents without the originals are not accepted in lieu of a court-certified divorce decree.
- **6. COURT AND PRISON RECORDS:** Persons convicted of a crime must obtain a copy of each court record and any prison record, even if the beneficiary has been pardoned or granted amnesty.
- **7. OTHER COURT DOCUMENTS:** Copies of court records regarding name changes, age ammendments, adoption and similar subjects must also be submitted. Originals of these documents should be submitted at the time of interview.

- 8. POLICE CERTIFICATE REQUIRED FOR APPLICANTS 16 YEARS AND OLDER: Applicants are required to submit a police certificate from the country of the applicant's nationality and current residence. Police certificates are also required from all other countries where the applicant has resided for at least one year. Regardless of the length of residence, a police certificate must also be obtained from the police authorities of any place where the applicant has been arrested for any reason. Police certificates from Iran are not required. Police Certificates from Turkey are known as "ARSIV KAYITLI ADLI SICIL KAYDI" (it is mandatory that they come with the archive records).
- **9. MILITARY CARD: For Iranian applicants only.** If you have served in the Iranian military, please provide a copy and certified English translation of your military card. If you are exempt from the service please provide a copy and certified English translation of your military service exemption card. Originals of these documents will be required at the time of final interview.
- **10. EVIDENCE OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT:** K-1/K-2 principal and derivative applicants are subject to INA 212(a)(4) and must demonstrate to the consular officer's satisfaction that they will not become a public charge. The enclosed information sheet, Optional Form 167, lists evidence, which may be presented to meet this requirement of law. The affidavit of support to be submitted must be Form I-134 and must be accompanied by the most recent year's tax return form. Co-sponsors should also include a copy of their US passports or green cards to their I-134 form.
- **11. EVIDENCE OF RELATIONSHIP:** You may be asked to submit proof of a valid fiancé/fiancée relationship with your petitioner. It is, therefore, useful to bring letters, photographs, or other evidence of your engagement with you.
- **12. TRANSLATIONS**: All documents not in English or Turkish must be accompanied by a certified English translation.
- **13. PHOTOS:** Regardless of age, all U.S. K Visa applicants must present two un-retouched color photographs, approximately 2 X 2 inches (5 X 5 cm) in size, taken on a white background. Please read the following instructions carefully. We cannot use photographs which do not meet these requirements:
 - **1.** The applicant must submit two full-face photos, taken within the past six months. A full-face photo is one in which the applicant is facing the camera directly.
 - **2.** The face should cover about 50 percent of the area of the photo.
 - **3.** Photos must be taken against a white background.
 - **4.** Photographs should measure 2 inches square (approximately 5 centimeters square) with the head centered in the frame. The head (measured from top of the hair to the bottom of the chin) should measure between 1 inch to 1 3/8 inches (25mm to 35 mm) with the eye level between 1 1/8 inch to 1 3/8 inches (28mm to 35mm) from the bottom of the photo.
 - **5.** The photograph must clearly identify the applicant.
 - **6.** The applicant should be dressed in normal street attire without a hat. Uniforms and/or head coverings, which obscure the applicant's features, hair, or hairline, may not be worn. If the applicant must wear head cover, the ears and the forehead must be seen clearly.
 - **7.** Photos should be printed without borders.
 - **8.** Photos taken in front of busy, patterned, or dark backgrounds will not be accepted.
 - **9.** Instant type photographs or digital quality photographs are not acceptable. Photographs should be taken with a standard single lens reflex type camera using film which requires standard processing.

Photos that meet these requirements can be taken at any photo studio.

SAMPLE K VISA PHOTOGRAPH



DOCUMENTS REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF INTERVIEW

- **1. PASSPORT:** Please bring your and your family's passports.
- 2. MEDICAL REPORT: Before their final fiance visa interview, all beneficiaries are required to undergo a medical examination performed by one of the medical doctors authorized by this Embassy. The beneficiary is responsible for making his/her own arrangement for the medical examination with one of the physicians listed on the attached medical information sheet. The beneficiary is also responsible for the cost of the examination. A medical examination is also required for each accompanying child. Do not send the results of your medical examination to this office before your interview. You will be required to submit your medical report to this office at the time of your interview. Do not bring your x-ray film to the Embassy.
- 3. ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS: Please submit your originals such as passport, diploma, marriage certificate, divorce decrees, court documents or Iranian military exemption documents to our office during your interview. Originals of obtainable documents such as the Turkish birth certificate (Nüfus Kayıt Örneği), police certificates or original English translations should be sent to our office before the interview.

AFTER THE INTERVIEW

After your personal application, if your file is complete, your visa will be issued within 5 to 10 business days and your passport and visa packet will be given to PTT for delivery to your passport pickup location.

Some Turkish applicants and most Iranian applicants require extensive administrative processing prior to issuance of the visa. This process generally takes 8 weeks or longer. No visa for these applicants can be issued until the administrative process is complete.

If administrative processing is required, we recommend that applicants return home while they wait for the completion of the process. Once the administrative processing is completed, the applicant's case number will be posted on our website. It will be your responsibility to check our website to see if your process is completed. Applicants who are not Turkish citizens will need to return to the U.S. Embassy in Ankara once their number appears on the site. Turkish applicants do not need to come in person to the Embassy; they can send their passports by PTT. After the final review, if your application is complete, your passport and visa packet will be sent to PTT branch of your choice in Turkey within five to ten working days.

While waiting for the administrative process to be complete, your medical examination may expire. In that case, you will need to renew the medical examination.

The validity of your K-1/K-2 visa will be limited with the validity of your medical report. K1-K2 visas are valid for a maximum of six months from the date of issuance. Applicants must travel and apply for admission to the United States before their immigrant visas expire.

MOST IMPORTANT

No assurance can be given in advance that a visa will be issued. A consular officer can make a decision only after the formal application and all documents are reviewed, and that officer has personally interviewed the applicants.

IMPORTANT: Beneficiaries should not make any travel arrangements for departure, dispose of personal property or make other life changes until the visa has been issued.

This office will make every effort to expedite the process. However should complications arise, applicants may be required to return to this office or furnish additional information.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Website : http://turkey.usembassy.gov

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ): Please visit http://turkey.usembassy.gov/faqs iv.html

For questions on PTT delivery: Please visit https://usvisa-info.com/en-TR/selfservice/contact_us

AFFIDAVIT OF SUPPORT

Persons in the United States who desire to furnish sponsorship for an applicant in the form of an affidavit of support should use Form I-134, Affidavit of Support, available from the USCIS offices or the following web site: http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/I-134.pdf. Sponsors may also elect to furnish a statement in the form of an affidavit sworn to before a notary public or other official competent to administer an oath, setting forth his or her willingness and financial ability to contribute to the applicant's support and reasons, in detail, for sponsoring the applicant.

The sponsor's affidavit should include:

- 1. Information regarding his or her annual income;
- 2. Where material, information regarding his or her other resources;
- 3. Obligations for the support of members of his or her own family and other persons, if any;
- 4. Other obligations and expenses;
- 5. Plans and arrangements made for the applicant's reception and support;
- 6. An expression of willingness to deposit a bond, if necessary, with the USCIS to guarantee that the applicant will not become a public charge in the US; and
- 7. An acknowledgement that the sponsor is aware of his or her responsibilities under the Social Security Act, as amended, and the Food Stamp Act, as amended; that the affidavit and supporting documentation may be made available to a public assistance agency. (The provisions of the above laws are contained in form DS-1858, Sponsor's Financial Responsibility Under the Social Security Act, and printed in Part III of the instructions for Form (I-134)

The sponsor should include in the affidavit a statement concerning his or her status in the United States. If the sponsor is an American citizen, the affidavit of should indicate the date of naturalization, the name and location of the court, and the number of the sponsor's certificate of naturalization. If the sponsor is an alien who has been lawfully admitted into the United States for permanent residence, he or she should state in the affidavit the date and place of admission for permanent residence and the alien registration number which appears on his or her Alien Registration Receipt Card.

To substantiate the information regarding income and resources the sponsor should attach two or more of the following items to the affidavit:

- 1. Copies of his or her latest federal income tax return;
- 2. Copies of his or her latest W-2 forms
- 3. A statement from his or her employer showing salary and the length and permanency of employment;
- 4. A statement from an officer of a bank regarding his or her account, the date the account was opened, and the present balance;
- 5. Any other evidence adequate to establish financial ability to carry out his or her undertaking toward the applicant for what might be an indefinite period of time.

If the sponsor is well established in business, he or she may submit a rating from a recognized business rating organization in lieu of the foregoing. If the sponsor is married, the affidavit of support should be signed jointly by both the husband and wife. Affidavits of support should be of recent date when presented to the consular officer. They are unacceptable if more than one year has elapsed from the date of execution. A sponsor may prefer to forward his or her affidavit of support directly to the consular office where the application will be made, in which event the contents will not be divulged to the applicant.

Note: An applicant who expects to meet the public charge provisions of the law through the presentation of an affidavit of support is encouraged to forward this information sheet to his or her sponsor so as to assist the sponsor in preparing an affidavit.

POLICE CERTIFICATE

Police certificates are required for each visa applicant aged 16 years or older. Generally, you must apply for these certificates directly from police authorities in the district in which you reside. You must submit a police certificate from the country in which you currently live (if you have lived there for more than six months). If you lived in a different country for more than 12 months after the age of 16, you must also submit a police certificate from that country. If you were arrested or convicted of a crime in a country, regardless of your age at the time the crime took place, or how long you resided in that country, you must submit a police certificate from that country. The police certificate must cover the entire period of the applicant's residence in that area, and state what the appropriate police authorities records show concerning each applicant, including all arrests, the reason for the arrest(s), and the disposition of each case in which there is a record.

Present and former residents of the United States should NOT obtain police certificates covering their residence in the U.S.

Police certificates are required from Turkey. Turkish nationals should contact the closest "Cumhuriyet Savcılığı" (Public Prosecutors Office) to obtain Turkish police certificates. Police Certificates from Turkey are known as "Adli Sicil Kaydı". IMPORTANT: When requesting the police certificate (adli sicil kaydı), applicants must specifically request that both the current and archived records be shown on the document.

Police certificates are not required from Iran or any country on the following list:

AFGHANISTAN	IRAN	SOMALIA
BANGLADESH	LIBYA	SUDAN
BULGARIA	MEXICO	TAJIKISTAN
CAMBODIA	MONGOLIA	TOGO
CHAD	NIKARAGUA	TONGA
EQUATORIAL GUINEA	SIERRA LEONE	UNITED STATES OF
HAITI		AMERICA

Police certificates from these countries are available only to persons physically present in the country who apply in person:

ALBANIA	GUATEMALA	NAMIBIA
BARBADOS	INDIA	PARAGUAY
ECUADOR	JORDAN	RWANDA
ERITREA	KUWAIT	UNITED ARAB
ETHIOPIA	MOZAMBIQUE	EMIRATES
		YEMEN

Police certificates from the following countries are available only through the United States Embassy or Consulate. Contact the American consular office if you currently are, or have been a resident of one of these countries:

COSTA RICA	KOREA	SRI LANKA
FIJI	NETHERLANDS	TURKMENISTAN

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEDICAL EXAMINATION

All intending immigrants are required to undergo a medical examination by one of the medical doctors on the following list. The physicians will provide the necessary medical examination forms. You must have your passport and two passport size photographs along with your case number with you in order to complete the medical exam. Make sure that your medical examination is completed BEFORE YOUR APPOINTMENT DATE and bring the results of the examination on your appointment date. We suggest that you make arrangements for your medical examination at least THREE or FOUR days prior to your appointment date. You do not need to bring your X-Ray to your visa interview. If you suffer from a chronic illness, have been treated for any disease or are under psychiatric care, doctors recommend you to present your medical file during examination.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Applicants ages two (2) years to fourteen (14) years of age (from 2nd birthday until reach 15th birthday) must undergo the medical examination at least four (4) work days prior to their scheduled appointment at the Consulate. Failure to do so may result in processing delays or rescheduling of initial appointment.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION AND VACCINATION FEES: Charges for the physical examination and other required tests are to be paid by the visa applicant. Fees are approximately as follows: blood test \$25.00; chest x-ray \$45.00; physician examination \$100.00. Vaccination fee varies from \$5.00 to \$200.00 depending on age and vaccines required.

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The validity of your visa will be limited with the validity of your medical report. Medical reports classified as "Class B (TB)" are valid for 3 months from the date the doctor signed the report. All other medical reports classified as "No apparent decease or defect" are valid for 6 months after the doctor's signature date. If your case is subject to further administrative processing, or if the processing of your file is delayed due to missing documents, the medical report may expire before your visa is issued. In that case, you would be required to renew the examination and submit an updated medical report to our office before you receive your visa.

VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS: United States Immigration Law requires immigrant visa applicants to obtain certain vaccinations (listed below) prior to the issuance of an immigrant visa. Instructions and procedural guides direct panel physicians who conduct immigrant visa medical examinations to verify that applicants have met the vaccination requirement, or that it is medically inappropriate for the visa applicant to receive one or more of the listed vaccinations: *Mumps, Measles, Rubella, Polio, Tetanus and Diphtheria Toxoids, Pertussis, Influenza Type B (HIB), Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Varicella, Pneumococcal, Influenza, Rotavirus, Meningococcal.*

In order to assist the panel physician, and to avoid delays in the processing of your visa, all immigrant visa applicants should have their vaccination records available for the panel physician's review at the time of the medical examination. Visa applicants should consult with their regular health care provider to obtain a copy of their immunization record, if available. If you do not have a vaccination record, the panel physician will work with you to determine which vaccinations you may need to meet the requirement. Certain waivers of the vaccination requirement are available upon the recommendation of the panel physician. Only a physician can determine which of the listed vaccinations are medically appropriate for you, given your age, medical history and current medical condition.

CONTACT INFORMATION SHEET

Please complete this form and forward it along with your documents. Please do not leave any fields blank including U.S. Address

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